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Florence, Dec. 9. N. S.

They write from Leghorn, that a *Flushing* Cap- per had lately sent in thither a *French* Prize of about 200 Tuns in Ballast. A *Dutch* Privateer, called the *Pearl*, brought into that Port the 4th Instant an *Algerine* Ship of 22 Guns, and 150 Men, which he had taken two days before near the Island *Corfica*, after a sharp Dispute, wherein he had 7 Men killed, and the *Algerine* lost 26 of his. Another *Dutch* Privateer brought in there the same day two *Turkish* Barks, each with 9 Men on board.

Genova, Dec. 17. The *Dutch* Privateers continue to cruize in these Seas with very good Success: The 8th Instant they sent into this Port a *French* Merchant Ship, newly built, of 16 Guns. According to our last Advices from Leghorn, they had lately brought in there three *French* Prizes, whereof one had 180 Men on board, which Ship one of these Privateers took after an obstinate Fight, wherein several of the *Dutch*, but more of the *French*, were killed; and we daily hear of some new Prizes they take. This has obliged the *French* Consul at Leghorn to forbid all the *French* Ships in that Port to put to Sea, till some Men of War come thither to convoy them; and he has also dispatched an Express to *Turkey*, to give Notice to the *French* Merchants in that Country, that it is not safe for them to send home their Ships without Convoys: Some days ago a Bark, which came from *Naples* with about 40 Soldiers on board, was driven on a Rock and bulged, and 5 Men only were saved. The Duke of *Mantua* left this Place some days ago, and is returned to *Casal*.

Madrid, Dec. 14. An Express arrived here this day from *Figueras* with an Account, That the King of *Spain* was come thither, and would continue his Journey to this Place with all possible diligence. The Estates of the Almirante of *Castile*, and of several Persons of Quality who retired with him into *Portugal*, are confiscated. An Edict was lately published, to prohibit all *English* and *Dutch* Manufactures that might be brought into this Kingdom by the way of *Portugal*: That Crown continues to make Warlike Preparations on our Frontiers, which increases the Jealousies of this Court.

Warsaw, Dec. 23. The Count de *Zinzendorf*, the Emperor's Envoy, has dispatched an Express to the Count de *Piper*, Secretary of State to the King of *Sweden*, who by this time is got to *Cazimir*, to know when he may wait upon his Majesty; and in the mean time is preparing for his departure from hence. That King has sent a Detachment of his Army towards *Lemberg*, under the Command of General *Steinboch*, who has Orders to endeavour to bring over the Army of the Crown to the *Swedish* Interest, and some Proposals have already been made to the Crown General for that purpose; but we do not hear that he is inclined to comply therewith. The King of *Poland* has sent two Regiments of Horse and two of Foot into *Lithuania*, under the Command of General *Wamiggen*, and it is said they are to join with the

Muscovites, who, according to the Accounts we received this day by an Express from *Revel*, have got together an Army of 150000 Men near *Pleskow*, which they intend to divide into three Bodies, of 50000 Men each, whereof one is to march towards the Frontiers of *Courland* and *Lithuania*, another towards *Narva*, and a third towards *Revel*. These Letters from *Revel* add, that the Czar is gone from his Army to *Moscow*; That he has given to Prince *Alexander Alexowitz*, his Cousin, the Fortrefs of *Nottbourg* in *Ingria*, which his Forces have lately taken; and has caused above 500 of his Officers and Soldiers to be put to Death, for not having done their Duty in the Siege of that Place.

Copenhagen, Jan. 2. The Count of *Guldenleew*, General of the *Danish* Forces in the Emperor's Service, arrived here the 27th past from *Italy*, having left the Care of those Troops to Major-General *Maxhausen*. Monsieur *Ehrencron* is returned hither from the Court of *Spain*, where he has resided 4 years with the Character of Envoy from the King of *Denmark*; The chief occasion of his being sent thither was to solicit the Payment of certain Arrears of Subsidies due to the King his Master by that Crown, but he has not been able to obtain them. Monsieur *Viereck*, Envoy from *Prussia*, is preparing for his publick Audience, which he is to have in a day or two. We have an Account from *Gottenbourg*, That the Convoy of the *English* homeward-bound *Eastland* Fleet had been joined by two *English* Men of War, and that they would shortly sail for *England*.

Ratisbonne, Jan. 1. On the 29th of the last Month the Emperor's first Commissioner, Cardinal *Lamberg*, ratified the Conclusion made by the Diet on the 13th, for the more speedy bringing into the Field such Troops as the several Princes and States of the Empire have already on foot, while the Levies are making for completing their Contingents, according to the Proportions to be settled by the Circles; and at the same time there was communicated to the Diet a Copy of a Letter which the Emperor had writ to the Directors of the several Circles, exhorting them to assemble the States thereof without any delay. The Emperor has also consented that no Garrison shall be put into this Place, and a positive Assurance is expected from the Elector of *Bavaria* to the same effect. Prince *Lewis* of *Baden* has writ to the Diet, expressing his Satisfaction with the Choice which they have made of him, to command the Forces of the Empire as Velt-Marshal, in Conjunction with the Margrave of *Bareith*. The Diets of the Circles of *Swabia* and *Franconia* are separated, having, as it is said, resolved to augment their Forces to 24000 Men. Letters from *Ulm* give an Account, That on the 24th past a Party of 200 *Bavarian* Horse was sent from thence to attack *Aichen*, a Castle on the *Iller* belonging to the Count of *Aichen*, who had refused to pay the Contribution demanded of him for the use of the *Bavarian* Forces; but he having got together divers of his Neighbours, gave the Enemy so warm a Reception, that with the help of a Party of *Hussars*, who came very fortunately to his Assistance, most of the *Bavarians* were killed or taken, and not above 30 of them returned to *Ulm*. These Advices add, that the *Bavarian* Soldiers quartered in *Ulm* having received no Pay for some time, began to commit great Disorders, and on Christmas-day plundered the Houses of divers Bakers, upon their refusing to give them Credit for Bread any longer; These, and such like Violences, have so incensed the Inhabitants of *Ulm* against the Soldiers, that the latter fearing to be surprized, stood to their Arms all that night, and have ever since kept very good Guards.